WEBB COUNTY – CITY OF LAREDO REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY BOARD

WC-CL RMA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, October 18, 2022, 11:00 AM International Bank of Commerce 1200 San Bernardo Ave. 3rd Floor - Community Suite

BOARD MINUTES

The Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority (WC-CL RMA) Board met on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at the IBC Community Suite. The meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m. WC-CL RMA Board Chair Jed A. Brown present and presiding. The following board members were present:

Jed A. Brown
Douglas B. Howland
Oscar O. Lopez
Jose Murillo
Alfonso Mendiola
Arturo Dominguez
George Beckelhymer

AGENDA

1. Open Meeting and Establish Quorum

After establishing a quorum, Presiding Officer Jed Brown, called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. It was announced that Antonio Arce, Jr. and Viridiana Fernandez were absent. Mr. Brown then notified everyone present that a notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, and then asked everyone to stand for the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Welcome the Board Members – Jed Brown (WC-CL RMA Presiding Office)

Chairman Brown welcomed the board and thanked IBC for hosting the RMA. He also informed all present that the meeting was being recorded and speakers must identify themselves when speaking.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Open Public Forum/Comment Period.

No public comments to report.

5. Action Item: Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action concerning approval of the July 20, 2022, WC-CL RMA Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Chairman Brown opened the discussion concerning the approval of the Minutes for the July 20, 2022, Regular Board Meeting. He then asked for a motion to accept the Board Meeting Minutes of the Webb County-City of Laredo RMA.

Motion: Motion to Approve the September 21, 2022, WC-CL RMA Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: Arturo Dominguez
Second by: Douglas B. Howland
Discussion: No discussion was held
In Favor: Motion passed unanimously

6. Chair's Report

a. Vallecillo Road Project

Chairman Brown announced there are items on agenda for the next meeting scheduled for November 7 that the board needs to act on. HTNB will justify why there is a need for a new work authorization for the Vallecillo Project, considering there is a lot of movement in the area.

b. River Road Corridor Study Update

Chairman Brown informed the board there was a very productive town hall meeting on October 4, 2022, conducted by Council Member Vanessa Perez. Representative Richard Raymond, Congressman Henry Cuellar, Tito Gonzalez with TxDOT, and a couple of RMA Board Members were in attendance. Traffic issues in the Mines Road area were discussed. Citizens living in the area were excited to hear what's to come with the River Road project.

7. Action Item (Resolution 22-31): Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action Regarding the Selection of Financial Auditing Services Firm.

Chairman Brown welcomed Mr. Douglas B. Howland to make a report to the board. Mr. Howland served as chair of the committee to select a Financial Auditing Services Firm. Mr. Howland reported the committee met to review the proposals. A total of two proposals were received, however only one was submitted on time. Mr. Howland recommended the Board select the firm Canales, Garza & Baum, LLC, and requested authorization to begin the contract negotiations with the firm Canales, Garza & Baum, PLLC.

Motion: Motion to select the firm Canales, Garza & Baum, LLC to provide Financial Auditing

Services and authorize Douglas Howland to negotiate a contract with the firm

Canales, Garza & Baum, LLC.

Moved by: George Beckelhymer
Second by: Alfonso Mendiola

Discussion: No discussion was held.
In Favor: Motion passed unanimously

8. Report: Date/Time/Location of Next Regular Board Meeting.

Chairman Brown informed the Board of plans to have the next board meeting at Commerce Bank on Monday, November 7, 2022, at 10 am.

9. Adjournment.

On a motion by George Beckelhymer and seconded by Jose Murillo, with no discussion, meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m. Motion passes unanimously, and meeting was adjourned.